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SEAALL Scholarship Committee
Annual Report - 1998-1999

This year the Scholarship Committee had \$4,000 to award through the Lucile Elliott Scholarship program. The committee awarded \$3950, but only \$3,300 was disbursed. This was because one scholarship recipient resigned her position shortly after the award was made. Since SEAALL makes no provision for this eventuality, the money reverted to the treasury.

According to the Lucile Elliott Scholarship guidelines, scholarships are to be awarded on a 70:30 newer member to continuing member ratio. This year the committee had seven applications to consider, six of whom were newer members. Awards were given as follows:

Ann Walsh Long - \$650 to attend the SEAALL Annual Meeting. Ms. Long will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by serving on a SEAALL committee.

Rebekah Maxwell - \$400 to attend the SEAALL Annual Meeting. Ms. Maxwell will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by writing an article for the "Southeastern Librarian" about a program she attends at the SEAALL meeting.

Pamela Melton - \$395 to attend the AALL Annual Meeting. Ms. Melton will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by writing an article for the "Southeastern Librarian" about a program she attends at the AALL meeting.

Belkis Reynoso-Lawrence - \$700 for tuition to library school. Ms. Reynoso-Lawrence will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by serving on a SEAALL committee.

Barbara Stapp - \$400 to attend the SEAALL Annual Meeting. Ms. Stapp will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by serving on a SEAALL Committee.

Susan Szyulma - \$750 to attend the SEAALL Annual Meeting. Ms. Szyulma will fulfill her commitment to SEAALL by writing an article for the "Southeastern Law Librarian" about a program she attends at the SEAALL meeting.

The Executive Board may want to consider the following two issues. First, should the committee re-allocate scholarship monies when (as in the case this year) an award is declined. The Committee has been very lucky in the past few years in that everyone who applied received some funding. In years where this is not the case, the declined award could be given to the next ranked candidate. In years when all candidates have received awards, the money could be evenly divided

between them. Second, the Board may want to re-consider the decision to publish the scholarship application in the newsletter. It may be more appropriate for the scholarship application to be a separate mailing. This year the Scholarship Committee has also been charged with selecting the member to receive a full registration to the AALL Annual Meeting. Each year AALL selects 10 chapters and allows them to award this registration to a newer member. The award was announced on the SEAALL listserve. The committee has not yet made this award since the deadline for applications is April 15th.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of my committee for their work in evaluating applications and for their thoughtful advice. The members of the 1998-1999 Scholarship Committee were: Joseph Cross, Patricia Cervenka, Jim Heller, Iris Lee, Carol Avery Nicholson, Steve Thorpe, and Sally Wiant.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Manna Janto, Chair
Scholarship Committee